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SUBJECT: USE OF OMEGA FOR EMBASSY VHF REPEATER

REF: A) MONROVIA 8249 B) ACCRA 8400 C) ACCRA 8654 D) STATE 285967

1. THE OMEGA STATION IS BEING CONSIDERED AS A POSSIBLE LOCATION FOR THE EMBASSY'S COMMUNICATIONS REPEATER. A REPEATER AND COMPLETE RESTORATION OF ALL THEIR EQUIPMENT IS DEEMED ESSENTIAL IF COVERAGE IS EXPECTED THROUGHOUT THE SERVICE AREA WHICH EXTENDS FROM BREWERVILLE AND CAREYSBERG TO ROBERTSFIELD. DISCUSSIONS HAVE TRANSPIRED SINCE 19 OCTOBER BETWEEN THE STATION, EMBASSY AND REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE OFFICIALS. IT WAS OUR INITIAL INTENTION TO PERMIT INSTALLATION OF A REPEATER ANTENNA ON OUR DATA LINK TOWER AND HOUSE THE EQUIPMENT IN THE TRANSMITTER BUILDING WHERE IT WOULD BE INCONSPICUOUS. THE PROJECT WOULD BE SOMEWHAT SELF SERVING AS OMEGA WOULD ALSO BE GRANTED ACCESS TO THE SYSTEM.

2. HOWEVER, AFTER NUMEROUS SITE SURVEYS DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, THE REGIONAL COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE HAS RECOMMENDED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT THAT THE REPEATER ANTENNAS BE MOUNTED ON THE MAIN TOWER AT THE 100 AND 200 FOOT LEVELS, AS A 100 FOOT VERTICAL SEPARATION APPEARS NECESSARY. IN ADDITION A SMALL CONCRETE STRUCTURE APPROXIMATELY 4X6X4 FEET WOULD BE REQUIRED IN THE CORNER OF THE FENCED AREA AT THE BASE OF THE TOWER TO HOUSE THE REPEATER.

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THE EMBASSY HAS NOW MADE A FORMAL REQUEST AT THIS LEVEL FOR

PERMISSION TO PROCEED WITH THE PROJECT. IN VIEW OF THESE NEW REQUIREMENTS AND THE ADDED VISIBILITY OF THE PROJECT, I BELIEVE THE DECISION TO GRANT SUCH AUTHORIZATION SHOULD COME FROM YOU.

3. ANY SUCH PROJECT WOULD FIRST BE CLEARED WITH THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE INDUSTRY AND TRANSPORTATION.

4. YOUR APPROVAL AND/OR COMMENTS ARE SOLICITED.
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